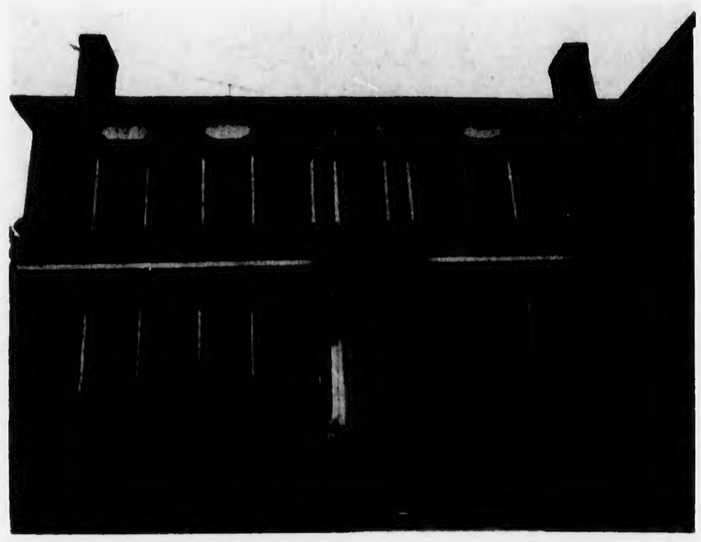
## The Community Involvement Group

# Coming Down Off The Hill

We are the intruders in the town of Middlebury. We come here for thirty-two months in order to receive a college degree. Our lives are centered around the college - we reside on a hill above the town, and for the most part, stay there. We come to town to see a movie, buy some clothes, cash a check, get a book, but rarely enter the life of the town. We see the townspeople only as shopkeepers, P-ladies, secretaries and members of the buildings and grounds crew; we have very little interest in them as people. To the residents of Middlebury we are strangers who wish to remain strangers.

While the financial interdependence of the college and the town has been apparent, many of us did not recognize the emotional ties until the May Strike. The reactions of the townspeople to the burning of Recitation Hall illustrated clearly the kind of misunderstandings, confusion and fear that could be generated in town by events on the hill.



The Federation House

The first response of students was to make plans to go into town, to explain things, to canvass door-to-door, and win political converts. We soon realized that for too long we had remained isolated in the college community. It would be insincere to suddenly take an interest in the townspeople merely because we wanted to build a broader base of opposition to the war. It had been this kind of insensitive self-serving approach which had created much of the friction that already existed between the town and the college. We found that the need to simply communicate, to establish better community relations, went beyond the immediate political crises. It became more important to us, to attempt to understand the attitudes of the townspeople rather than rashly to presume to change them.

The Strike Commintte changed its name to the more innocuous and more honest title The Community Involvement Group, and planning for summer programs began.

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A benefit concert for Middlebury's teen center, Filmore East, attracted hundreds of college and high school students and many adults to the town green last Saturday night. Local rock and folk musicians helped to provide almost four hours of continuous music. Among those who performed were Middlebury perrenial Peter Issacson and students Brian Curry and Frank Williams. Pictured above are Larry Thomas, Bret Walrath, Joshua Rich, and Karen Cockerham, all of the college.

## Governance Group Favors Committee System Change

The Governance Committee, convened by President Armstrong last fall to recommend such structural changes "as the Committee believes to be most conducive to the fulfillment of the College's purpose (learning and teaching)," has recommended that the College's committee system be replaced by four major "Councils." The College committees are currently the chief method of policy change in the College.

The four major Councils proposed are designed to streamline the governance system by replacing or overseeing the twenty-one current College committees, and thus to free students and faculty for academic pursuits.

The Councils, says the report, would be "highly influential," "representative of all the various on-campus constituencies of the College," and still "composed of a relatively small number of people."

"The guiding principle" of the proposal, the report continues, "is that administrators administrate" and that the Councils avoid "day-to-day running of the College."

The four Councils would be the following: Resources Council, composed of nine persons in administrative or appointed posts, two elected faculty members and two elected students, "will act both as a 'budgetary group." It "would have a reasonably detailed picture of the College income and expenditures." The RC would have four standing subcommittees: Teaching Resources, Space, Financial Aid and Budget Operations.

Faculty Council would remain

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# Geodesic Dome Rises Off Route 7

**by Torie Osborn**

If you drive down Route 7 South, just after you pass the turnoff to E.Middlebury you will notice a strange white structure sitting in a field off to your left. It may look like an oil storage tank or a spaceship from a sceince fiction movie, but it is actually an example of a unique architectural design. It is a pure geodesic dome, based on the original plan created by architect Buckminster Fuller in the early 1950's.

This particular geodesic dome which rises formidable out of the Vermont countryside is the creation of Middlebury Classics professor Bill Harris, who is building it as an experiment in the use of geodesic dome for housing. This dome is being built as a proto-type; there are no immediate plans for it, though eventually it will be sold as a house. Working with Harris are Stuart Hamilton, Sam Blagden and Tom Allen, recent Middlebury graduates, who all plan to go on and build more domes after this one is completed.

The actual construction of this dome was started only six weeks ago and it is nearly completed, but it was in the planning and engineering phases for about a year.

The white dome, 38 feet in diameter, looks like a commercial structure from the outside, but, in a Campus interview, Stuart Hamilton explained that they want to stress the domestic potential of the dome for low-cost housing. "So much money is wasted on bad design purely out of habit, out of fear of breaking traditions in housing design," Stuart said. The response to this project in Middlebury has been "very good", especially among "They are the most receptive to initiating new ideas in housing structure."

The geodesic dome design

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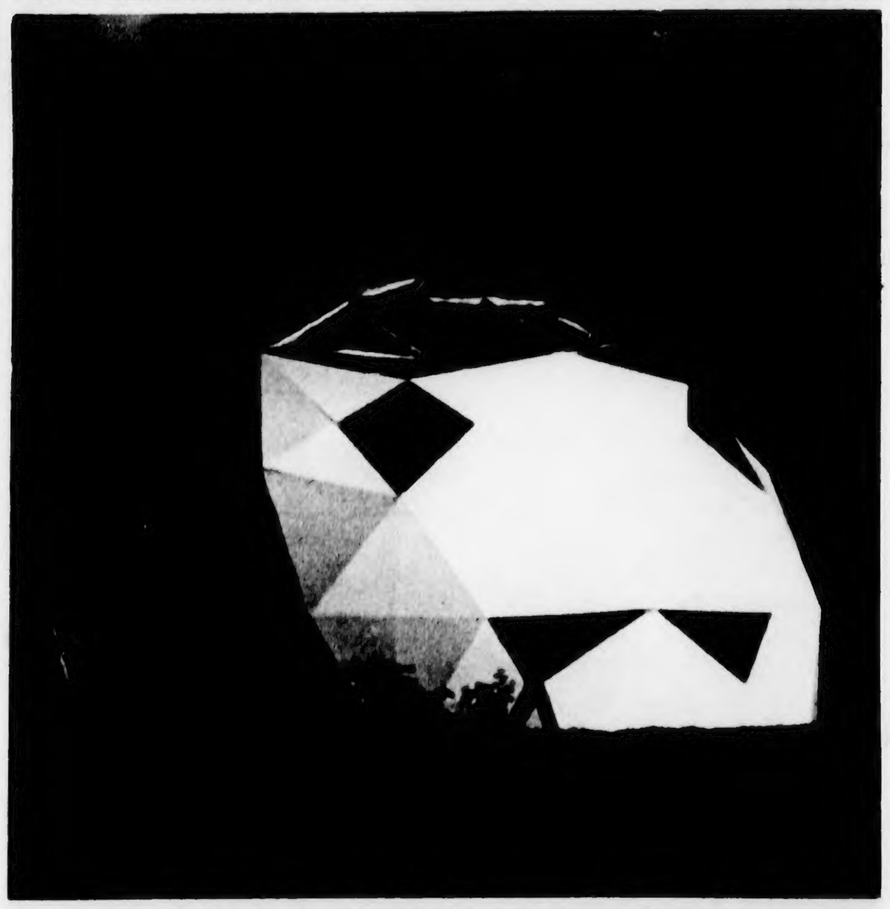

A Bucky Fuller-Bill Harris Production

## THE ITCH

*Insisting she has lost*
*all innocence with her braces,*
*she comes.*
*knowing to cross her legs*
*but not why,*
*girl budded to woman*
*behind the lure of even teeth.*
*To me, leery of perfection,*
*they shine like graveyard stubs.*

*Her hair, pig-tailed once,*
*unfurls a stallion's mane, whipped*
*coarser than hemp,*
*soon to tangle the talk of boys*
*with impatience.*

*I have met the secrets*
*of her stuffed attic, earned*
*her woman's pleasure at exhaustion.*
*I leave her*
*to those bedtime chums.*
*Loosed now in some grim place,*
*she awaits fresh lovers*
*yet to come.*

*She is the verdure and the itch*
*of an uncertain birth,*
*her flowers have*
*bloomed and*
*dare not wilt.*

**Bruce Morgan**

# College Drug Policy Changed

Dean of Students Erica Wonnacott announced in the August 24th Weekly News Calendar that she plans to tighten her application of the College's drug policy to remove from the College those students who are said to use drugs heavily.

In the letter to students she said, "We have in our drug statement a seldom used clause to the effect that a student may be asked to leave if there are repeated reports or evidence of debilitating effects due to his heavy involvement with drugs. It is our intention to exercise that clause more than we have."

In a CAMPUS interview Dean Wonnacott explained that the wording of the drug policy has not been changed from last year's but that she simply plans to call in more students, more often when there are rumors of their repeated drug use.

The student will be placed on warning and, if the rumors persist, he will be asked to withdraw until he feels that he no longer needs drugs and can continue his studies without them.

Dean Wonnacott feels that the administration has now had enough experience with drugs on campus to say that "drugs just don't work in school." She feels that she has seen too many good students become involved in drugs and have to withdraw because of it.

"Most people don't have problems because they take drugs," Dean Wonnacott maintains, but they take drugs because they have a problem and that is not the right kind of solution. Drug use merely prevents them from taking measures to really help the problem, such as psychiatric help."

Steps other than the punitive measures mentioned above are also being taken in an attempt to minimize drug use on campus-steps similar to those suggested during Middlebury's Drug Symposium last spring.

Drug information lectures and question-and-answer type "rap sessions" in the dorms are being organized. John Spissinger, an intern from UVM and a resident in Stewart will be trying to coordinate such activities with the students in ASSIST and he will also be doing some counseling under the supervision of Dr. Covey.

Spissinger has done a lot work with Dr. Ronald Stephenhagen, a social psychologist who ran a major drug research program at UVM. Dr. Stephenhagen was one of the guest speakers at the Drug Symposium last year.

## Proposed Committee Structure

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| | | | (Graduate) |
| | | | (Teacher Education) |
| | | | ROTC |

( ) --indicates discontinuation as a standing committee.

# Committee Change Urged by Governance Committee

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the same as the present council of the same name. It is composed of six faculty, three tenured and three untenured. The Senior Faculty Council, or Tenure Committee, composed of the three tenured members, is concerned primarily with faculty hiring, promotions and tenure.

Community Council, composed of two administrators, one member of the staff, three faculty members and six students, would "recommend to the President policies in all areas pertaining to the non-academic life of the College in which students and faculty share mutual concerns." It is essentially "an outgrowth of the present College Council," and would be particularly concerned with "social life and activities of the students, extra-curricular activities and the various supportive services of the College which affect the general life of the Community."

Educational Council, composed of two administrators, four elected students, which will recommend to the Faculty "on matters of major educational policy and . . . act as an executive committee on matters of curriculum." The EC will have a Curriculum Subcommittee to be "coordinator of the curricular offerings of the College," an Independent Study Subcommittee, an Administration Committee and ROTC Subcommittee.

Under the proposed guidelines for the Councils, administrative offices in the purview of a Council would make reports to the Councils.

All faculty members on the Councils, except on the Faculty Council, would be elected for staggered two-year terms.

In a recommendation that has already been partially adopted, the Governance Committee also proposed the abolition of "student government" in favor of "a community type of government, largely under the Community Council." This recommendation has already been implemented in part by the abolition of the Student Senate and the placing of eight students, four of whom vote, on the College Council.

The Governance Committee agreed during its deliberations last spring that the proposals were "not going to solve any problems" and were essentially intended to simplify and identify the decision-making processes. The committee met weekly during the past year, and to most members typified the College's current problem of a proliferation of committees that are marginal value and consumed vast amounts of faculty and student time, to no obvious end. It was primarily to this problem that the Governance Committee addressed itself.

The Committee found two ifying "the point at which policy decisions were made, while making it possible for each section of the community to bring its particular competences to bear," and "simplifying the governing structure of the College. . . in order to avoid the misuse of manpower by involving faculty and students" in administrative tasks.

Among the problems that the committee admitted it was unable to solve as the deliberate manner in which changes occur.

Peter Delman, a senior student and member of the Committee, ceased participation in the Committee because of the areas to which the Committee addressed itself.

The Committee's recommendations, if accepted, would directly involve elected student and faculty representatives in all major policy decisions for the first time.

The report's section on the Curriculum Subcommittee proposes a "600's course" designation by which one-time single term courses could easily be introduced. The option of student-taught courses is also recommended.

The Committee briefly considered the role of the Board of Trustees, the College's ultimate governing authority, to which all other bodies recommend. The report suggested ways of furthering communication with the Trustees and recommended no major change in the role or constituency of the Board. One student member of the Committee, Ted Hobson, dissented from this section, and is preparing a minority report suggesting major revisions in the Board. The rest of the report was accepted unanimously by the Committee.

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*The following were the thirteen members of the Governance Committee with the positions which they held last year.*

Nicholas Clifford, chairman (tenured faculty); Paul Cubeta (Dean of the Faculty); Peter Delman; (student '70); Robert gleason (tenured faculty); Nancy Grimes (student '72); Thomas Hibbard (untenured faculty); Ted Hobson (student '72); Elizabeth Kelly (Dean of Women); Dennis O'Brien (Dean of the College) Judith Polefka (untenured faculty); Mary Reardon (student '70) Richard Turner (tenured faculty)

# "Patton": Nixon at the Movies

By Bill Wood

Fade in.

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A huge American flag dominates bg as Patton enters enterc bg down to fg.

**PATTON**

*At ease. Now men, no dumb bastard ever*

**(BEAT)**

*won a war by dying for his country. He won it by making the other poor dumb bastard die for his country...I really feel sorry for those guys we're going up against, by God I do, We're not just going to kill the lousy Hun bastard, we're going to cut out his living guts to grease the treads on our tanks. We're going to hold him by the nose and kick him in the pants and we're going to keep kicking and we're not going to stop. We're going to go through him like crap through a goose...now men, you know how I feel. And I'd be pleased to lead you wonderful guys into battle anytime*

**(BEAT)**

He exits center; as we fade to black: **CREDITS**

In the first razzle-dazzle minutes of "Patton" the con- S. Patton, Jr. is as clear as it will ever be. The murkier puzzle is Richard Nixon. Talking about 'Patton' today means talking about the psychopathology of Nixon since he liked the movie so much. It is, by the way, a great film, carefully done and thoughtfully executed.

Although there have been a lot of good movies recently like 'The Boatniks' and 'Myra Breckinridge', Nixon chose to see 'Patton' twice. Not only did he see it twice, but he also talked about it constantly. Associates told Daryl F. Zanuck, the head of 20th Century-Fox that Nixon was a walking advertisement for the film. Zanuck had a special 16mm print of the film made and it was carted along to San Clemente.

Even more intriguing is the idea of a historical film helping to shape history. At the time of the Cambodian invasion John Ehrlichman, one of Nixon's assistants, urged the younger White House aides to see 'Patton' if they wanted to understand how Nixon was thinking at that moment.

At the beginning of the movie, Patton, played by George C. Scott, delivers a martial pep talk that highlights the qualities he held in high regard; one of which was the American fighting spirit. 'Americans', he growls, 'Traditionally love to fight. All real Americans love the sting of battle.....that is why the thought of losing is hateful to Americans. Why, I wouldn't give two whoops and a holler for a man who lost and laughed.' Nixon would have no quarrel with that. But, Patton was more than a fanatical nationalist. For all his familiarity and expertise with modern warfare and technology, he was essentially an anachronism. He properly belonged to a time that was free of annoyances like politics and nations.

His ambition was simple. 'All my life', he says quietly, 'I have wanted to lead a lot of men in desperate battle.' The massacre of Rommel's Afrika Korps at El Guettar. in another scene, Patton is shown surveying the smoldering wreckage of a battlefield. Tanks and armaments are scattered through the scorched grass, broken and twisted. Mangled and bloodied bodies dot the landscape. Patton sees all of this and manages to say, "I love it. God help me, I do love it so. I love it more than my life."

Scott graphically portrays Patton's anger at civilian politicians who wouldn't let soldiers finish the war against the Russians once and for all. He shouts at Bedell Smith, Eisenhower's aide, 'Look, Bedell, if you're so damn soft about it you can forget you ever heard about this and leave it to me. I can have us at war with the Russians in ten days and make it look like it was their fault.'

Yet, the film becomes infuriating to doves and hawks alike. It isn't a cartoon story like 'The Green Berets.' The gance of Patton appear frequently, but so does his mystical belief in reincarnation. He thought of himself as a fought and died in every battle and every war. Scott as Patto Karl Malden who plays Omar Bradley:'....as through a glass darkly, I see the strife of ages - I have fought in many quises in many forms - But, always it was me.' Or Patton standing on a desolate hilltop in Africa and talking about Rommel,'....just me and

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## College Council Elections

College Council elections will be held on Tuesday the 6TH of October in Proctor Hall. Anyone from the upper three classes who wishes to be a candidate should submit a typed statement of his reasons for running to Box 810 by Friday, the 2nd of October.

There will be a 'Candidates Night' on Sunday, Oct. 4th, at 7:30 in Proctor Lounge for anyone who wished to speak with the candidates.

The candidates statements will be posted on a bulletin board in Proctor.

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# Middlebury Feminists Form Women's Liberation Group

by Torrie Osborn

One upperclassman at Middlebury greeted an incoming freshman girl this year with the following words: "Middlebury is a pretty good school, and there's a good chance that you'll be married by the time you're a senior...."

No doubt this girl meant to be heartening and helpful to the newcomer; she wanted to reassure the freshman that her social life would be fruitful, and that her role as a Middlebury student might happily include a wedding ring with her diploma at the end of four years. This attitude that deems marriage for a woman as important, indeed more so, than anything else including her education, is one which, although hopefully is not as prevalent at Middlebury as this incident could infer, is part of the role syndrome that our society has forced upon women. Women should go to college, perhaps but only so that they can be better mothers - can quote Shakespeare to their children as they cook dinner and clean house. To a constantly growing number of women in this country who are beginning to doubt, question, and finally reject this restriction on their lives. Women's Liberation is becoming a vital and relevant movement.

Although the term itself, "Women's Liberation" is so vague and all-encompassing of many radical and not-so-radical viewpoints, it was founded on very real and immediate feelings of disillusionment and frustration among many, many women in this country. And Middlebury women-as students at college, as women who will graduate from college and have to make decisions about their life's work, and more immediately as women who face, on this campus as in the world, a male-dominated society-must be given at least the opportunity to explore possibilities for the channeling of their energies other than simply into the housewife role when they graduate. They must at least have the option to learn about exactly what their situation is--morally, sexually, economically and socially--in our society in order to develop personally and with as much freedom as possible their own choice of roles. And that is what Middlebury Woman 's Lib is about.

A meeting was held last Sunday evening by the people who responded to a few notices-four of five were ripped down-posted around campus about a Women's Lib meeting. The turnout, though only 18 girls, was better than expected and the beginning of an organization was formed.

The group will focus on the basic aim of educating its members and the college community at large on those problems and confusions facing women today that are finally being brought out into the open by the national movement for women's liberation. Middlebury Women's Lib although it has to fight against much skepticism and apathy on this campus, will attempt in different ways to raise the level of consciousness about what exactly a woman must face in our society and, hopefully, how she can personally and successfully cope with the situation. Suggestions that arose from Sunday's meeting for specific action at Middlebury included: bringing speakers and the Feminist Theatre onto campus, arranging seminars and discussion groups, the establishment of a day-care center in town, male-female encounter groups, an abortion referral center on campus, and having workshops for women in electronics, carpentry and self-defense.

It is our hope that by educating ourselves first and then branching out and dealing with the problems on campus, that there can be some progress made in furthering understanding of a movement that is not purely political or abstract, but that directly relates to the life style of each and every one of us, female and male.

Women's Liberation will hold its next meeting this Sunday at 7 pm in the lounge of Unit B of the SDU's.

# HARRIS DOME RISES ON RT. 7

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is completely practical. First of all, it is extremely inexpensive. This dome will cost less than $6000 for a two-bedroom house with kitchen, living room and bathroom. Its design is based on a pure mathematical and architectural formula that is so perfect that it requires only very simple materials. It is basically a hemisphere made up of triangles which are grouped into hexagonal and pentagonal shapes.

Triangles are used as the basic unit because they are the most rigid of all geometric shapes, and these triangles are grouped into the larger formations of hexagons and pentagons because those two shapes mathematically stack up naturally to form the dome shape. The triangular pieces are made out of plywood and covered with an extremely durable fiberglass coating. Thus the materials that make up the dome are simple and cheap, and, one truckload can carry all the necessary pieces for a whole dome to its site.

The geodesic dome is a virtually new concept in low-cost housing. As Stuart says, "It's a lot of fun and we can be inventors as well as builders."

# news shorts

A small fire broke out in the first floor of Stewart Hall Saturday night at about 8:00 p.m. It was extinguished in minutes with no extensive damage. The fire started when a blanket hanging over the window in the room of two freshmen was ignited by a candle resting on the mantle. The two occupants returned to their smoke filled room and pulled the smoldering chair into the hallway. When Dorm resident John Spissenger entered the building and smelling smoke, pulled the fire alarm. He then grabbed a fire extinguisher but could not work it. The fire in the room burned itself out, incinerating the blanket, charring the shades and scorching the wooden mantle.

Three vehicles, including a hook and ladder truck arrived from the fire department within minutes, but the fire had already been extinguished.

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The Enviromental Quality Group plans to conduct a canoe survey of Otter Creek Saturday, October ninth to spot sources of pollution and take samples of the stream's water. The water samples will be sent to the Vermont Board of Health for analysis. A similar project will be carried on by "walkers" along the shores of the New Haven and Middlebury rivers.

A recycling of the College's trash will be attempted by the group for a two week trial period. Newspapers and cans will be placed in separate boxes, to be sold to plants in the Middlebury vicinity. Other targets of the EQ this year include the Middlebury dump, which is burning trash in violation of a state law, and the Vernon nuclear power plant, scheduled for completion in October, 1971. The group plans to lend its support to distributing birth-control leaflets and gaining student representation at the ABC (Action for a Better Community) meetings.

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The appointment of four new department and division chairmen at Middlebury College has been announced by President James I.Armstrong.

Dr. Grant H. Harnest has been renamed chairman of the Natural Sciences Division after a year of sabbatical leave and Dr. Robert W.Gleason, associate professor of Chemistry, is the new chairman of the Chemistry Department.

Dr. Howard M. Munford will serve as acting chairman of the Division of Humanities during the 1970-71 academic year, and Dr. Thomas Huber, assistant professor of German, has been appointed acting chairman of the German Department.

# *Oceanography Students Repair Surplus Boat For Research Vessel on Lake Champlain*

Dr. David Folger and about thirty students from his Oceanography class have spent the last two weeks repairing and converting a 25 foot Coast Guard motor surf boat for use on Lake Champlain as a research vessel.

Dr. Folger, assistant professor of Geology, says that such a boat is vital to the Oceanography course introduced last year. He began a search through governmental channels last spring and finally located the surplus Coast Guard boat in Portland, Maine.

Dr. Folger and a student have put the 35hp diesel engine in good operating condition while other volunteers have been chipping paint and sanding the mahogany hull in preparation for painting. The boat was christened in a brief ceremony on Sept. 28 at Old Chapel before launching in Lake Champlain.

Designed to carry about 15 students, the 5000 pound boat must still be fitted out with booms for raising core samples and an echo sounder or seismic system.

The boat will be used three or four afternoons a week this fall to train students in oceanographic techniques, and survey the lake. It will also be used by students and Dr. Folger in collecting data for papers and research projects.

Dr. Folger said his plan to study the lake's turbidity will have some pollution overtones. He will also take a series of core samples from the bottom of the lake to determine marine invasions in the former ocean estuary and examine the record of climatic changes.

Several of Dr. Folger's students will join with University of Vermont faculty and students and personnel from Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution this weekend in a combined expedition to make a seismic study of the lake. Using a highly sophisticated echo sounder from the U.S.Geological Survey at Woods Hole and the UVM boat, the joint expedition hopes to provide the first detailed records of what lies beneath the lake bed.

The Woods Hole echo sounder, designed specifically for investigation of several very deep and unique Swiss Lakes later this year, will get its first real fresh water test in Lake Champlain, Dr. Folger said. Lake Champlain is similar in many ways to the lakes earmarked for study in Switzerland, he added.

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# Phil Hoff and the LID: The Poverty of Liberalism

By Steve Early

Former Governor of Vermont Phillip Hoff, a candidate for the U.S.Senate, came to Middlebury last Sunday morning to deliver a talk on "Students and the Democratic Process." It was a bad day and a bad time of the day for campaigning. It was early, barely 10 a.m., and drizzling outside and fewer than 75 students had gathered in Dana auditorium to hear him. Hoff was introduced by an old social democratic trade unionist from the League for Industrial Democracy, a small, white-haired man who spoke with all the pep and enthusiasm of a cheerleader. He introduced the candidate and then sat down, and later it was not surprising when he got up again and announced to everyone that he had found Hoff and what Hoff had to say, "refreshing." Others who were there left feeling more depressed than refreshed--- not only about the Hoff speech but about the entire weekend conference on "Democratic Change" - of which it was a part. Sponsored by the LID, the conference opened here Saturday and came creaking to a close Sunday afternoon.

**....THE PROBLEM IS NOT THAT AMERICA IS A WORLD COP. IT'S THAT AMERICA IS A WORLD ROBBER---AN IMPERIAL POWER WHICH APPROPRIATES NATIONAL RESOURCES AND NATIONAL IDENTITY, IMPOSES GOVERNMENTS AND VALUES, COVETS PROFITS AND INDEPENDENCE."**

The League has all the right credentials to be supporting liberal, peace candidates like Phil Hoff and holding symposiums on "democratic social change." the "student left," and student involvement in electoral politics. It was established sixty years ago by Progressive reformers Clarence Darrow, Jack London and Upton Sinclair. Its orientation in the 1930's was Fabian socialist and it had close ties with the American Socialist party, maintained today through members like Michael Harrington and Irving Howe. The League has functioned primarily as a political education group whose objective has been to bring together students and the labor movement. League members are linked to the AFL-CIO and particularly to trade unions. And it was the "old left" LID which helped to create the New Left ten years ago by founding the Students for a Democratic Society.

SDS, however, did not turn out to be a moderate, social democratic youth group as planned. Instead, it and the student movement became increasingly radical. Embittered by the experience of the civil rights and anti-war movements, and disillusioned with the "corporate liberal" domestic and foreign policies of the Kennedy-Johnson years, the student left has not been receptive to the "coalitionist strategy" favored by the LID and various liberal Democrats. This strategy calls for the transformation of the Democratic Party into a new "majority coalition for change" composed of liberal labor unions, middle-class reformers, students, intellectuals, civil rights groups, and the poor.

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The purpose of last weekend's conference was to bring together liberal student activists for a discussion of the issues and tactics of the coalition approach. Most of those who attended participated in some way in the "new Politics" campaigns of McCarthy and Kennedy two years ago and are now working to elect congressional peace candidates---Hoff in Vermont, Duffy in Connecticut, Ottinger or Goodell in New York. The speakers on Saturday were LID director Tom Kahn and Penn Kemble, head of the League's Youth Project on Democratic Change. Both are critics of the "new politics" because its student practitioners--- Sam Brown and the rest of the McCarthy-Kennedy-Moratorium crew---have focused almost exclusively on the war and foreign policy. According to Kahn and Kemble, Southeast Asia is receding from the public consciousness; Vietnam and Cambodia are no longer the big issues they were last spring, and if student campaigners are going to be effective this fall, if they are going to elect a "new Congress" and build a "new majority coalition", they will have to emphasize pressing domestic concerns like the economy.

Some of the economic issues discussed by Kahn--- the impact of inflation on wages and prices, the trend toward increased corporate concentration-were obvious ly very important. The LID speakers were also quite right in criticizing the anti-labor bias of most middle class college students, attributing this to simple ignorance of the labor movement's record of support for social reform. But if students tend to view American unionism as hopelessly reactionary (which it tends to be on foreign policy questions), the young activists of the LID are equally mistaken when they talk about the "progressivism" of George Meany and the "radicalism" of Hubert Humphrey." That's right, according to LID director Kahn, Hubert Humphrey is a "radical" because when he ran for President in 1968 he dared to advocate a "domestic Marshall Plan," a program of economic and social reconstruction based on massive federal spending.

**WHAT BOTHERS ONE ABOUT HOFF IS NOT THAT HE MIGHT BE MODERATING HIS POSITIONS IN ORDER TO GET ELECTED, BUT THAT HE MAY ACTUALLY BELIEVE THE SOLUTIONS HE PROPOSES ARE SOMEHOW ADEQUATE.**

Kahn's enthusiasm for Humphrey and the LID's support of similar liberal and labor figures indicates the kind of coalition one might expect from their strategy. At best, a "new" Democratic Party would look very much like the one we have now. Power would remain in the hands of labor bosses like Meany, big city machine politicians like Mayor Daley, durable political hacks like Lawrence O'Brien and Carl Albert, and behind them the same large aerospace and defense contractors who backed Kennedy and Johnson.

At the policy level, it is doubtful that such a party would introduce the radical economic reforms which Michael Harrington himself proposes in his book, "Towards a Democratic Left", and his more recent writings. At most, the party's domestic programs would merely extend the welfare state, in the style of Humphrey's domestic "Marshall Plan." And it is Harrington's thesis that the welfare state, based on a capitalist economy and social structure, is inherently unable to deal with problems that demand anti-capitalist allocations of resources. Thus Harrington advocates democratic planning, expanded public ownership and control of industry, particularly housing and transportation, and large-scale social investments to deal with poverty, pollution, urban decay, inadequate education and medical care.

All of which brings us back to the problem of Phil Hoff, and others like him, whose election, we are told, is essential if the Democratic Party and the cause of liberal reform are to be redeemed. Hoff, of course, is no socialist. He is a liberal and in a

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# COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT - SUMMER 1970

## Finding a Private Peace In a New Community

By Nancy Grimes

*Nancy got by with a little help from her friends: Marilyn Kitchell and Davidson, Margy Nason, Janey Sexton, Ginny Wanklyn, Laurie Miner, Sylvia Jelliffe, Jerry Kupperberg and Obie Benz..*

June

*"We have got to get screens on these windows - I don't believe how many flies there are in this house" "Janey, will you get Mugsie's tail out of the sugar bowl." "Let's start the meeting - we've got a lot to do." "Obie wait a minute, not everyone's here" "Wow, there goes that car again - those guys always honk and yell at the house" "You mean like fist-shaking yelling?" "Yeah - it's too bad we gotta be living right on the intersection" "Come on, let's get this together and figure out just what the Community Involvement Group is." "It's beginning to occur to me that the community might not want us involved." "Yeah, like they think we're whores." "Well that at least would be community involvement" ". . .and hippies, and longhair, barefoot goddam college students" "Well, some of us are longhair, barefoot college students - so what?" "So we gotta show them we aren't so bad" "I don't really know if they think we're so bad" "Hey those guys are yelling again. . ."*

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Our purpose was elusive, our attitude one of bewilderment. Whenever we talked, we expressed fairly modest goals-we wanted to be a part of the town. We wanted the townspeople to like us. We wanted to be recognized as individuals, rather than steretypes. In the face of the national crisis, in a time unprecedented political stress, after weeks of impotent, emotional bankruptcy, we the Middlebury Strike Committee, now CIG, resolved in June that: the girls from the Federation house wear bras in public; that shoes be worn by all members of the group; that the boys enter and exit through the back door of the house; that liquor be well concealed.

July

*"I'm so sick of these meetings, Obie", "Sure, we all are, so let's get it over with", "Okay, I move we adjourn it", "Come on you guys, we've got a lot to talk about" "Like what?" " Like what the hell are we doing?" "That's an excellent question - I've been wondering about that." "Well, at least we have gotten somewhere - we have gone from wondering what we're going to do to what we're doing." "Look - let's get serious. . ." "Get serious? Jesus, I'm perfectly serious. I'm more frustrated now than when started." "Me too. Look, in June at least we had glorious plans for The Cause." "Look at the cause now - image projection of the C.I.G." "Oh, come one, we've done more than that." "Sure, we built a fence at the day care center, and what we wanted was our picture in the Addison Independent." Every time we go to do something, someone here says write an article; get a picture." "As far as I can see, we're doing things kids have been doing all along, only we're making damn sure everyone knows about it." "Well, isn't that good community relations?" "Community' relations? C.I.G. 'serving the community by serving ourselves?" "If that's community relations, I don't want any part of it. . ."*

As we discussed the look-at-us-look-at-us attitude of the group, we realized that our lack of humility was singularly astounding, particularly because we had really thought that we had been serving others more than ourselves.

janie: Community Involvement Group, Hello? man: Hello is this the odd jobs bureau? janie: Yes, can I help you?man: I need a female traveling companion who can be out of town at least once a week. janie: That's incredible...goodbye.

Wanted: Volunteer labor...Day Care Center-fence building, screening, painting..Garden Club-weeding, clipping, pruning...Meads Woods-picking up, greening up...Teen Center re-decoration, re-direction, supervision, entertainment. (i.e. wanted: perpetual supply of Community do-gooders, Happy Helpers, Community Relators.)

Reward: Gray paint under findernails; Free lessons in how to prune a tree, scrape pine bark off of a fence post with nursery school scissors, Inside information on underground life at Middlebury Union High School, New people becoming new friends: a note from Gary Campbell saying "Thank you for being you."

By Obie Benz

Give me an S.....S
Give me a T.....T
Give me an R....R
Give me an I....I
Give me a 'K....K
Give me an E...E
Now what have you got...STRIKE, LOUDER, ...STRIKE, LOUDER....

OK kids, we're going to take this issue, and we're going to strike, and we're going to win, We've got the biggest team ever to be assembled on campuses throughout this country We've got candidtaes running on peace platcorms nation-wide. We've got a computer network that links Middlebury to Dartmouth to Princeton to the University of Michigan to UCLA. We've got rich businessmen on our side (and we all know what that means, don't we kids; yes, that means money). We've got money.

And what we really have is spirit, and that spirit is what really counts. We're going to strike, we're going to win, and you're all the force behind it.

Yeah, but Obie, what else is the team going to do?

Why, we're going to strike and end the war in Vietnam.

Oh.

And we're going to get rid of ROTC on campus.

Oh.

Yeah, and we're going to end the oppression of minority groups, like the Black Panthers.

Yeah, I understand that that's what you're going to do, but, I mean, how are you going to do it?

Oh well, we've decided to show the townspeople that college kids aren't all lazy and freaked out, thereby breaking down the barriers which inhibit communication, the lack of which is the essence of our whole problem.

Oh.

Yeah, we've decided that here in Middlebury demonstrations do more harm than good; so we're going to get out and engage people in rational dialogue through one to one relationships.

Oh, you're going to set up something lake a rational dialogue program.

Well, what we're going to do is set up discussion groups with churches and clubs and stuff to discuss the issues.

Uh-Huh.

Yeah, and we're going to set up head start programs and give volunteer help to do-good groups in the area.

But people have been doing that for years.

Yeah. I know, but this is different.

Oh.

Yeah, we're going it to end the war in Vietnam and these other things. Its constructive, positively-directed energy.

Sure, I can see that, but then why have all those other people been doing it for so long?

Gee, I don't know; I guess they like it.

things, and you're both doing it because you like it, but you're also doing it to end the war in Vietnam.

Yeah, you're right, that's it.

Yeah, well, good luck.

Well, Obie, how was your bummer, uh, I mean, summer.

Fine.

Yeah, I heard the group did quite alot.

Yeah, that's right.

Yeah, I heard that the group set up two head start programs, and that this is the first summer anyone helped farmers with their haying, and that you helped clean up the Mean's Woods, and start the Teen Center again, and all sorts of things.

Sure did.

Uh, haven't you got anything to say about it?

Well, you see, I'm not really sure what did happen, and, anyway I've spent the last few months talking about it, and I'm getting kind of tired of going over it again and again.

Well, look, how about begrudging me a minute or two, O.K.?

Sure, go ahead.

OK, which program do you think did the most good?

If you mean good in terms of the college kids relationship to the town, it wasn't any program; it was that big article the Burlington Free Press did about us and each person we met, both through our work or at the Aand P or somewhere. But if you're talking about Good, it was the Bristol and Cornwall head start programs. I think it did as much good for us as it did for the kids.

What does that have to do with Vietnam?

That's one thing we learned about. Well, like take peace, the main thing. Most people think that all it means is peace between nations. But, you see, you can't have peace between nations until you have peace between people, me and you. And we can't have peace with each other until each of us has peace with himself.

That's going to be tough.

Sure, but it's all in degrees. And if you want to move, you're going to have to learn. And some kinds of learning are better for you than others. This summer happened to be fantastic.

How?

Well, look peace between nations is political, the Vietnam

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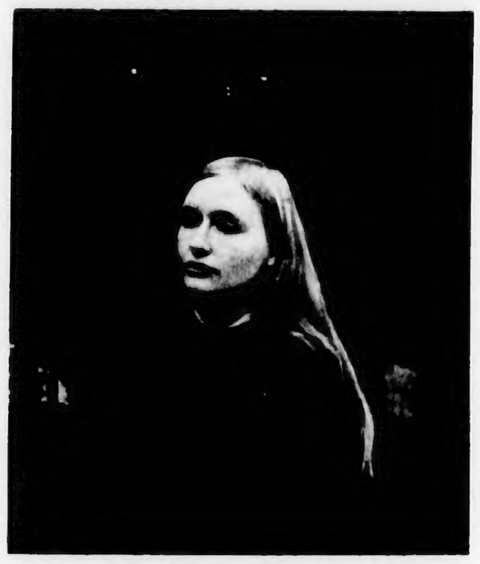
Our overwhelming concern was the image that we projected. Each one of us became a scheming PR director for the CIG. When we asked the Rev. Gary Campbell to come to our house for the first time, it was 'Invite a Methodist Minister To Tea Day' We saw people living around us as possible contributors to the College-kids-aren't-so-bad-as-we-might-think rumor which we were promulgating.

At 7:15 every morning, a big delivery truck rumbled through the intersection in front of the Federation house. The truck woke up Ginny and the multitude of flies that were perpetually assembled somewhere in the buidling. Ginny would put the coffee water on, and the various fly-cults would mobolize for bed attacks. Margie's flies walked slowly up and down her body, mine had diving pracitces in my ears, and Marylyn's copulated in her hair. By eight o'clock, Ginny had smiled the Headstart people out of bed, and we were sitting on the floor of the kitchen drinking coffee. Bristol Headstart was a green door at the end of a narrow alley in the center of town. Behind the door were two rooms; one completely underground, the other with two small windows-

furnished in miniature. There an easy relationship grew between kids and teachers. Enthusiasm and energy, wide eyed fascination, and wild eyed vacillations were shared in sunny morning excursions to the park. Shared, too, were colds, Brucey 'washed' the floor for us by running into pailfuls of water while riding a rticycle. Carl removed the goldfish from the tank and carefully lined them up on the counter to rest. The toilet broke one day, so fifteen kids marched single file to the gas station in the center of town to wait in line. Taxi, wrapped in a green garbage bag, and rolled to the kids in a cart, became an exercise in tactile perception.

We spent every weekday morning of July and August as Bristol Headstart. Our failures were the childfen who came for two days and then

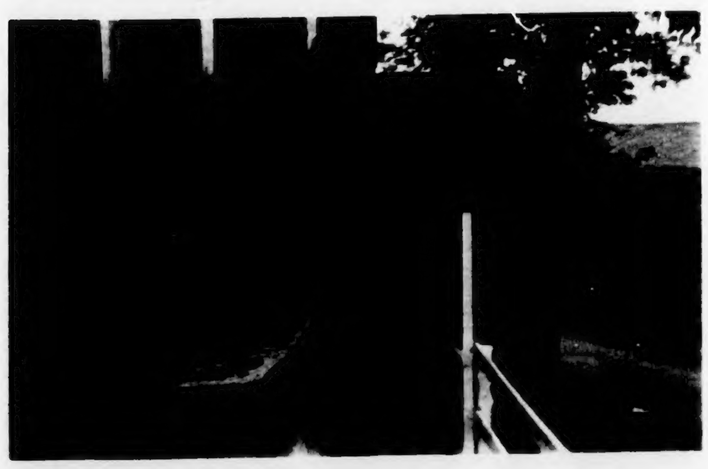


left, and the lonely and unhappy kids who couldn't be drawn into the group. The little girl who had whimpered whenever her mother was away from her soon changed into an agressive brat who cried when her mother came back to pick her up, the mother who said that headstart looked like so much fun she'd like to come—these were our successes.

We started a Cornwall Headstart program in August, which differed from the Bristol program because the kids weren't necessarily disadvantaged. Some of them were only-children in their families so the one-to-one relationship with a teacher was not as important here as learning to play in a group. At first it was almost disappointing that the children were not 'needy'; our middle class quilt was not as assuaged, our ego not quite as bloated. But after guiding the kids through their daily group games and trips to the dairy farm and the Bundy Museum in Waitsfield, Jerry was able to pinpoint our responsibility as "just being available' feeling concern and showing it, as an individual in a group."

The movement behind the strike means something very different now. It is political only on the surface - at the base it is human, and being human, it involves me personally

margy



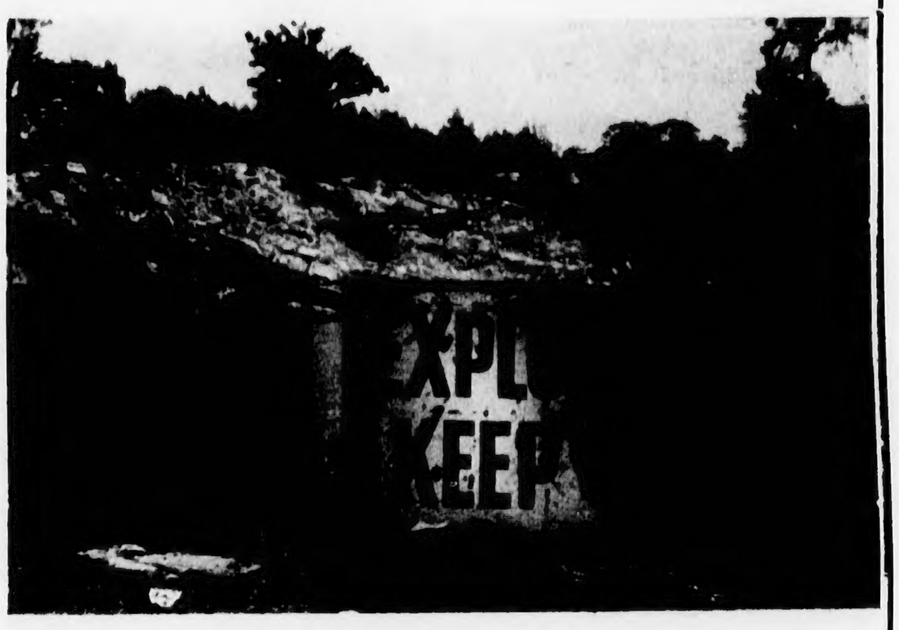
There were too many things running around that I wanted to grab and devour or somehow absorb. I didn't have the capability to be glutinous enough though.

janie

This thought-caring as an individual rather than as a member of a group devoted to caring-developed in all of us, and by August the Community Involvement Group had, in a sense, disbanded. The group as such no longer had a purpose, for each of us had established our own goals, made our own friends, effected our own changes. 'The townspeople', that amorphous group; we had been working to understand or change or help, no longer existed either. Instead they were people we met at the quarry, or at Addison Field days, in the Alibi or the Teen center, through our odd job calls, or regular work. As the Community Involvement Group fell apart as a political organization, the people who made it up came together as a familial living unit.

Strike. . . You need three guys to do haying this afternoon? End the war now. . . We told the garden club we would help them clean up the Municipal lawn. We can not return to business as usual. . . You don't have to do the dishes, but you could acknowledge the fact that I've been working all day. marilyn k

I go back there and the house is gloomy and dingy; I wonder how I ever could have lived there. I come to the conclusion that it must be the people that I miss. I knew very few of them before the summer, but I know them now - not just as people, but as a sort of a family. I find that I have ties with certain people who irritated me the most when I began the summer. Everything I say to those people now assumes a basic understanding between us, an understanding of each other and our experience because we lived together for our cause in totally different ways. . . . margy




August

*"It's time for another bitch-in" "Can I apologize in advance for anything annoying I might have done or said to anyone at anytime in advance and then not come?" "Sounds like you're feeling particularly vulnerable, Nance" "I am, and Margie's feeling particularly bitchy" "I'm sick of defrosting the refrigerator all the time." "I feel like I spend half my day doing other people's dishes." "Well why don't you two trade, then, Marilyn does the dishes all the time, Margie defrosts the frig." "No really, Marilyn has been doing more than her share of the shit work. It's not fair." "Also, the other day two ladies walked in the house and there were beer cans scattered around the living room - it doesn't take much to pick up a beer can" "I left them,I'm really sorry" "I figured it was you, Jesus - you never pick up your own crap."*
*"I guess I'm just scatterbrained" "No, I don't think that's it, I think you've got so many big things on your mind that you don't really notice little things" "Yeah, maybe that's true, why don't you ask me to do things?" "Sometimes it's just easier to do it myself than hassle you." NNo, really, I want you to, so that I get in the habit". . .*

The honesty initially demanded during our bitch-ins became part of our everyday conversations. In this, Obie often was guardian angel and devil's advocate simultaneously. If we were angry with someone, he made us confront them with it, if we were confused he made us talk about it, and if we were miserable he gave us backrubs and listened.

Any people living together have frictions; the fact that we were living together more out of necessity than choice could only increase the problems. An incredible mixture of people were thrown together in the Federation house; yet after cooking, eating, cleaning and working together for a couple of months, we found ourselves coming together to play together and be together.

*If I had to do it all over again, I would live this kind of education my whole life. Only with no doors...no walls..no ceilings.. and no windows.*

*janie*

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War. We never mentioned it all summer.

Peace between you and me is communication. Like we really did build up a good image in the town and a good relationship with pretty many people. That's really what the group set out to do.

And, like I realized that for three years the only reason I ever went downtown was to buy something or go to the movies. Then I'd withdraw back to the college and say that all the townspeople were prejudiced because I had long hair.

Yeah, well, alot of them were.

Sure, but they were no more prejudiced about me than I was about them. I mean, before you start worrying about other people, you should get yourself together. That's hard enough. Like, if you see something that's fucked-up in this society, that is, if you by chance you happen to notice somethin gthat's not quite right, the chances are that there's something in you that's fucked-up in the same way, because that's the way you were brought up.

So that's what you learned this summer?

Yeah, that and one more thing: I learned that no matter how true generalities are, they never fit real situations.

Yeah, but everything you've said has been a huge generality.

Sure, but talking is only half real. The only thing that's really real is getting into things.

Is that the last generality?

Yep, that's it.

# Women's Hockey

The Middlebury Women's Field Hockey team tied Castleton 3-3 in their September 28th home game.

Scoring for Midd in Monday's game were Cathy Stone (2) and Nancy Storer. Castleton scorers were Margaret Elliott (2) and Joan St. Ange.

# Soccer Victory

Middlebury defeated a strong Dartmouth soccer team here Friday by a score of 2-1. Scoring for Middlebury were Kevin Candon late in the second quarter and Steve Lathrope in the third period. Dartmouth's lone goal was scored with two seconds left in the third period.

# Panther Footballers Conquer Wesleyan

Two games into the season, Middlebury has already won as many football games as it won all last year. The Panther's second win came Saturday over defending New England Champions Wesleyan by the surprising score of 49-21.

Wesleyan took the opening kick-off and eight plays later scored on a running Halfback Tabor. Five minutes later, the Cardinals scored again as Walford took the ball in on a short run.

When the Panthers got the ball, it took QB Metayer only two plays to comnect on a 58 yard scoring pass to the amazing Senior Left End, Lee Cartmill.

Frank Badger soon picked off a Wesleyan play and once again Cartmill was in the end zone with a 23 yd pass from Metayer.

In the second quarter Wesleyan scored only once on a 20 yard run by Tabor. Middlebury, however, scored once on a Metayer to Cartmill pass of 61 yards and once on a ½ yard run by QB Barry Metayer. The half ended with the score Middlebury 28, Wesleyan 21.

In the second half, the Panthers did all the scoring, and generally dominated the game. Metayer connected with Cartmill once for a 30 yard strike. Bill DeSalvo took one in from the two and Frank Badger took his second interception of the day all the way in from the 50. Throughout the game the Panthers showed brilliant defensive work, intercepting 4 passes and throwing opposing QB Panciera for over 30 yards in losses while he was passing.

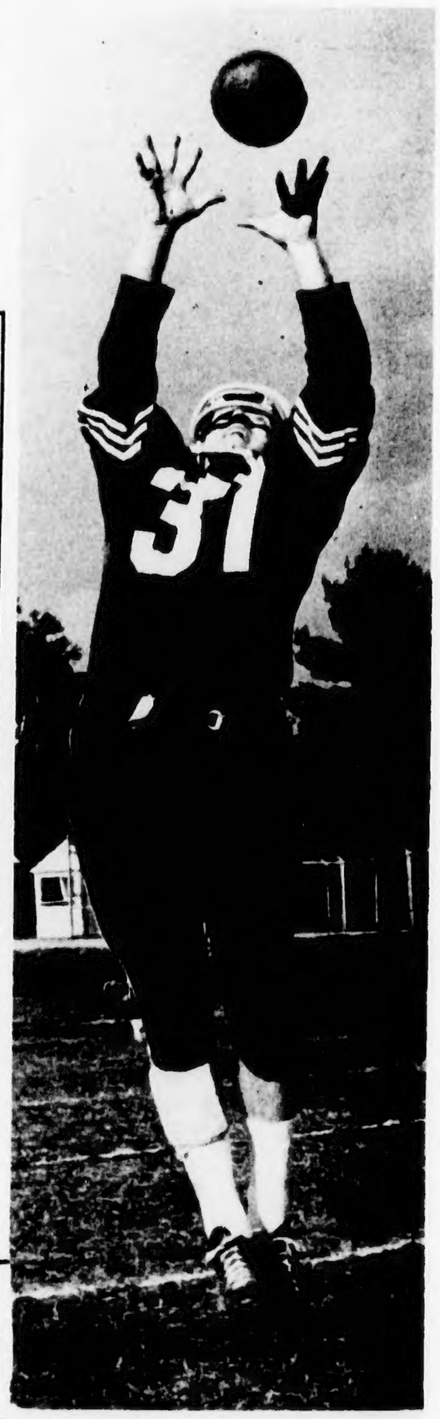
Lee Cartmill, outstanding left end, tied a New England small college record with his 4 TD receptions, giving him a Middlebury record of 14 career TD receptions while at Middlebury. This also puts him in reach of the career record of 16 co-held by Martin of Trinity and Mulligan of Central Connecticut.

Fresh from an encouraging second place finish in a three way meet against Bates and Colby, John Bower's Middlebury College Cross Country team, will host state rival Vermont this Saturday at noon in a homecoming dual meet.

The Panthers were paced last weekend by sophomore Gary Johnson's second place finish as they defeated Colby but lost to powerful Bates, a team that has not lost a meet in three years.

Johnson broke the Bates course record but Lew Paquin of Colby also broke the record for the victory. It was Johnson's best effort as a college harrier and makes Bower cautiously optimistic for this weekend's meet with the Cats.

The meet will begin and end at Memorial Field House with the bulk of the course being run over the Middlebury College Golf Course and the surrounding campus.

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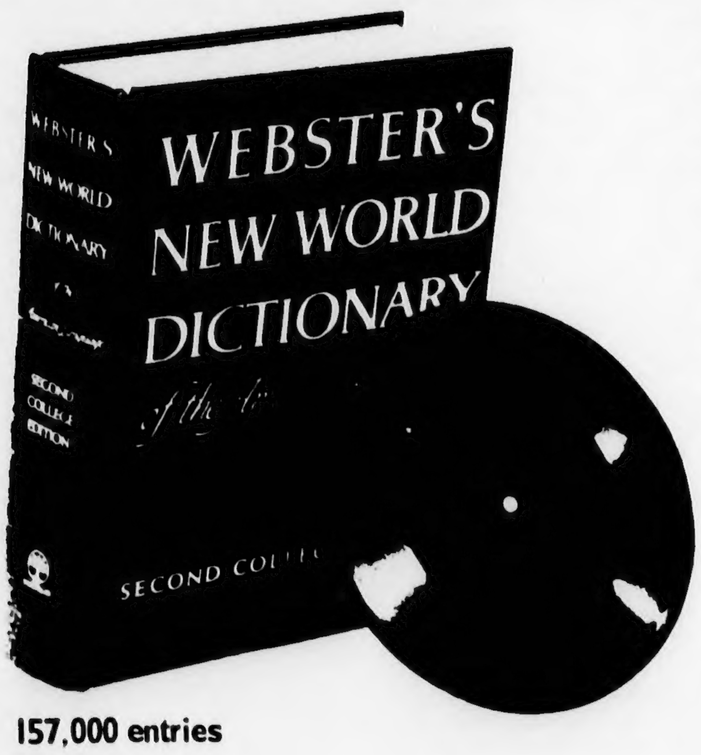


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## Middlebury Water Is Chemically Poor

The federal government released a report last month which revealed that Middlebury's water supply is "improperly protected" and of "poor chemical quality." The water also has a manganese concentration (o.79 mg-l) which exceed the 1962 Federal standards and is rated as "fair."

The report, prepared in Vermont and eight metropolitan areas by the U.S.Public Health Service named 18 Vermont water supplies including the Brandon supply, "unfit for drinking" and 48 others "undesirable." These systems serve about 36,000 people. In comparison, only 10 water supplies serving 17,000 people were rated as "good."

Frequent causes of bad ratings in Vermont were bacterial contamination, excessive lead from antiquated pipes in the water systems, poorly structured and maintained systems, and poorly trained personnel overseeing the water supplies.

The report blamed the lack of state control over local water systems as a major cause of inadequate water supplies.Under present statutes towns may submit water samples to the state Health Department on a voluntary basis. The Health Department may require chlorination or other methods of purification if the tests indicate impurities. But Governor Deane Davis concedes that the laws are weak since they don't require towns to submit water samples. He said he would "not be opposed" to a bill which would require it.

## *EPC Tables Proposal For Distributionals*

The Educational Policy Committee tabled a controversial proposal for a new type of distributional "obligations" at its Monday meeting. The proposal would have required stu'ents to take a minimum of eight courses in at least two years of the three divisions outside their major division.

The proposal, writte by Mr. Hill, Miss Driver, and Mr. Bielli, was said by some EPC members to be a "half-step backward" to the former distributional requirements of previous years.

The proposed purpose of the distribution plan was to insure students a broad base of knowledge. Some members of the EPC argued that high shcool provided an introduction to the disciplines and that a student) would freely choose a variety of interdisciplinary courses developing because of the proposed plan was debated. After two hours of discussion, the proposal was abandoned to allow time to test the present system of no distributional requirements and to see what other distribution proposals could be developed.

At its next meeting the EPC will discuss a proposal to add two more student members to the Committee. Questionaires are to be circulated to faculty members concerning their sentiments and ideas on distributional requirements.

# The Poverty of Liberalism

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state like Vermont that can be liability enough. What bothers one about Hoff is not that he might be moderating his positions in order to get elected, but that he may actually believe the solutions he proposes are somehow adequate. As demonstrated in his talk last Sunday, he at least has a grasp of the problems we face, though he perceives them in a very fragmented way. There is the problem of Vietnam, the problem of the economy, the problem of the enviroment, and so on. Obvious connections are made, of course: unemployment and the high cost of living are caused by "this stupid war"; the failure to clean up the air and water is due to excessive spending on defense; the discontent of the blue collar worker is a function of his dehumanizing work, the economic squeeze he finds himself in, and the manipulation of his consumer demands by the mass media. How all these problems might really relate to one another, Hoff never makes clear.

He says frequently that the human and material values of our society are "out of whack", that he wants to change "the priorities of the system." Well who doesn't? The phrase, "re-ordering our national priorities" might have been fresh when it was first used two years ago by McCarthy and Kennedy in their campaigns against the war and military spending. Today, it has become our worst political cliche. What liberal politicians in both parties refuse to recognize when they discuss the question is that it's impossible to re-order the priorities of our present economic system without making very basic changes in the system itself. (If liberals did recognize this, they would no longer be liberals.)

The same thing applies to the liberal approach to the "crisis of the enviroment." Hoff is for suing polluters, spending more on pollution control, and passing a constutitional amendment guaranteeing every American the right to beathe pure air, drink pure water, eat pure food, etc. The crisis, though, is a creation of basic patterns of production and consumption in our society, of the commercial values that permeate the profit system, and the tremendous power of private corporations. As RAMPARTS editorialized last Spring; "As long as society organizes production around the incentive to convert man's energies and nature's resources into profit, no planned, equable, ecologically balanced system of production can ever exist;.....We simply don't need any more gross national product, any more unnecessary goods and factories. What we do need is a redistribution of existing wealth, and a reallocation of society's resources." And Phil Hoff is not about to advocate that.

Though he didn't resort to it last Sunday morning in his brief discussion of foreign policy, Hoff, like many liberals, is also fond of the second worst political cliche of our time: that the United States must no longer attempt to act as "the policeman of the world." As Andrew Kopkind has pointed out, the problem here is not that America is a world cop, it's that America is a world robber---an imperial power "which appropriates national resources and national identity, imposes governments and values, covets profits and independence." Vietnam, Laos, the Dominican Republic, Cuba, Guatamala, Iran---the whole pattern of cold war interventionism is the result of America's attempt to maintain its economic and political influence over much of the globe.

Yet the maintenance of an empire (and its obvious costs), is not an issue in many American election campaigns---nor is it likely to be, given the sterile ideological consensus that passes for political debate in this country. McCarthy and Kennedy, whose foreign policy positions were the most advanced of any Presidential candidates, favored an early end to the war partly so the United States could get about the business of shoring up the "frontiers of freedom" elsewhere in Asia. If Vietnam had been a winnable war instead of an unwinnable and terribly costly one, would McCarthy and Kennedy still have opposed it? Would Phil Hoff have? As it was, in 1968 Democratic doves weren't even advocating immediate, unilateral withdrawal; that didn't become respectable until last fall, and the first Moratorium.

Now it is fall again,and the November elections are near. Hoff is opposing Winston Prouty and the latter's record is not even worthy of analysis. There is, in this instance, a fairly clear choice in terms of issues and personalities. But as always the political alternatives are themselves defined by the very narrowness of the two-party process. And this will continue to be the case, until it is possible to introduce truly radical perspectives into the political debate and to create a wider awareness of alternatives not offered within the existing system.

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# PATTON...

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that genius son of a bitch. He in his tank and me in mine. Then we'd button up and do battle and that would decide the war.' Someone remarks that it's too bad jousting went out of style. Patton grins suddenly, 'God, how I hate the twentieth century.'

Nixon may have found Patton's simple solutions to complex problems appealing. Or he may have liked the general's style. At the very least he was impressed. This in istelf is disturbing because Patton was a soldier divorced from day-to-day running of parties and governments. He had no interest at all in politics only in his 'destiny' for greatness.

'Patton', in fact, emphasizes haw much Nixon is not Patton. He lacked the personal and intellectual flashiness of the general. And the genuine naivete. What Nixon had to like about 'Patton' was Patton because the movie is the story of George S. Patton as he would have written it. The failings of the film, which are few, are because it caters too much to Patton's conception of himself and his surroundings.

'Patton' is Nixon as he would like to be. He would conceivably have found the character of Omar Bradley the least interesting. Where Patton was loud, Bradley was self-effacing. He was the 'G.I. General,' modest and unpretentious and ran in direct contrast to Patton. At the premiere of 'Patton' in Los Angeles, a girl asked Bradley, who was senior military advisor for the film if he liked Malden's characterization. If he did, then she thought he was a really cool human being. He smiled and patted her on the cheek.

**There is no moral arithmetic to cancel out the crime of murder. But how do you answer those who say cooly of the young man who died in that Army Mathematics building at Wisconsin, "What if he had been drafted and died in Vietnam?" How do you restore the moral bearings of the young when we now learn from the private papers in the John F. Kennedy library that he and former Senator Smathers of Florida on many occasions discussed the feasibility of arranging the assassination of Fidel Castro? The craziest of our mixed-up kids are no crazier than the end-justifies-the-means morality of American imperialism.**

*—I. F. Stone in the Sept. 21 issue of his Washington Bi-Weekly*

Society's moral weakness is its double standard. The recent sufferings of the hi-jacked in the desert aroused world-wide sympathy and their release world-wide relief. But how many people stopped to think that several hundred thousand of the Arab refugees from Palestine have been living for two decades in a similar stinking horror in desert camps, stifling by day, freezing by night, on a beggar's pittance? The papers are full of proposals to deal with the hi-jackers but little about the need to deal with the grievances behind them. The editorial outburst about Arab "barbarism" hardly accords with the testimony of all the hi-jacked travellers—including the Israeli—that the commandos treated them kindly. Such exaggeration is not the path to peace. I covered the Jewish terror against the British in Palestine in the postwar 40s. I know that if the present situation were reversed, and Jews were in the refugee camps, and no one cared, Jewish commandos would be hi-jacking planes to call attention to their plight, and those of us who are Jews would feel the same thrill over these exploits as the Arabs do over theirs. What surer way to reconciliation than honestly to recognize ourselves in the visage of our enemy.

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# WRMC Expands Facilities

New shows highlight the opening of WRMC--FM's new studio facilities around Oct. 5. According to Station Manager Peter Temple, the move to the second floor of Proctor Hall will allow the station to experiment with a wide variety of special programs, panel discussions and radio drama taped for the air in WRMC studios.

New programs include a bi-weekly French show hosted by Professor Barenbaum visiting from Oberlin College. Mr. Barenbaum plans to have poetry readings, news shows and drama productions, all in French.

The Classical Department has scheduled a twelve-week serial of classical music from the Acoustic Research Contemporary Music Project. And after a one-year absence the Faculty Show returns for its weekly engagement. Dean Dale DeLetis hosts the initial program. Also in the planning stages are broadcasts of live Metropolitan Opera broadcasts from New York City.

The expansion into larger facilities features two complete control rooms as well as a spacious studio, business office, announcing booth, record library and engineering room. The estimated cost at present for the entire moving project is $12,000 financed by a loan from the College, and a gift of $2500 from Mr. Horace B. Rickey of Louisiana.

The new studio facilities have ample space for the staff of 150 students, and the increasing amount of equipment and records which WRMC has acquired since the beginning of FM broadcasting in the spring of 1968.

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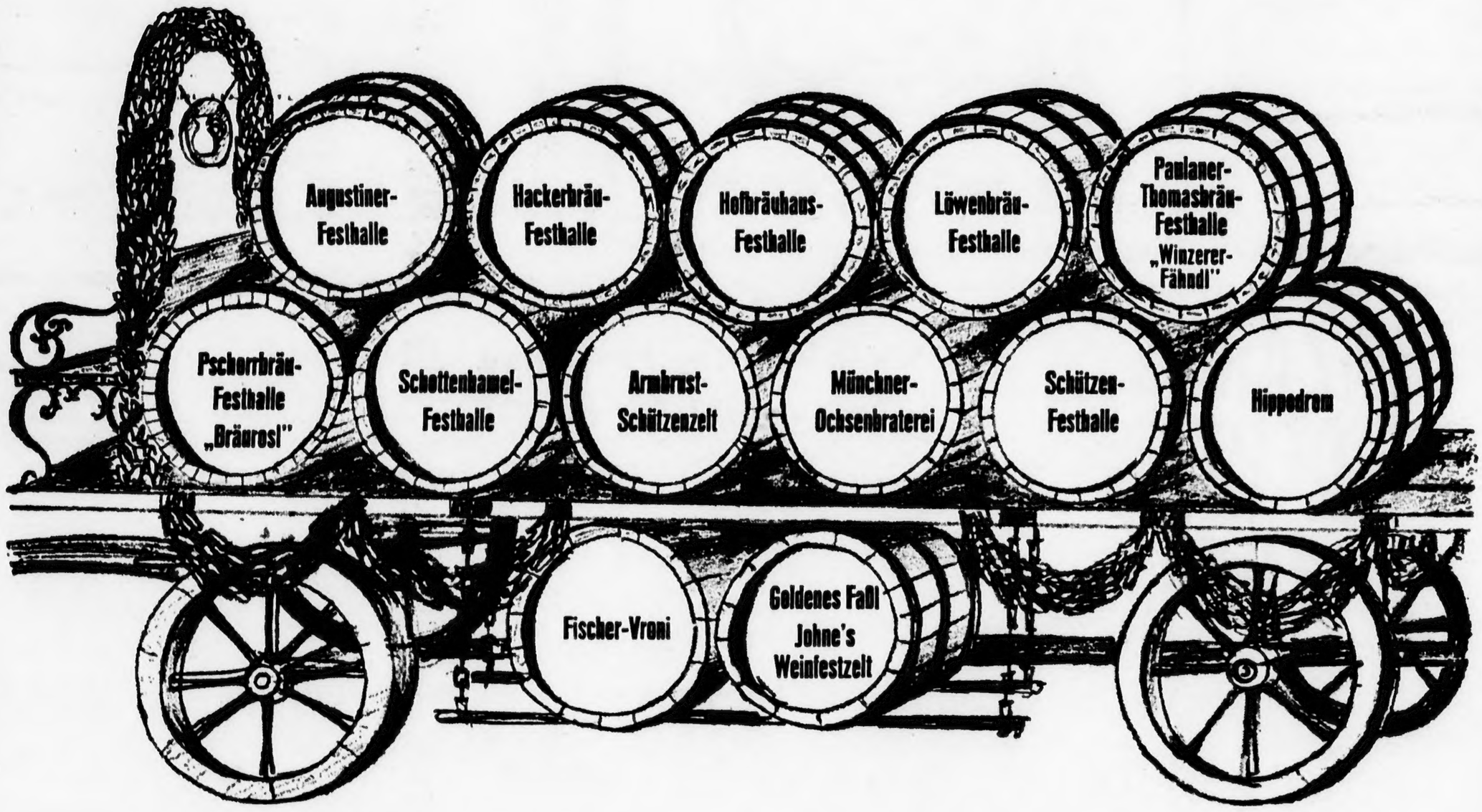


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